

CHURCH EVENTS

April 2

Church Council Meeting
6:00p

April 3

Potluck Dinner 5:00p

April 5-6

NC Mission Conference

April 7

Deacons' Meeting 2:00p

April 14

Palm Sunday
Touch 2:00p

April 17

No Wednesday Night
Bible Study
Choir Rehearsal 6:00p

April 18

Maundy Thursday Service
7:00p

April 19

Good Friday
Church Office Closed

April 21

Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service 7:00a
Breakfast 8:00a
Lunch following Worship
Children's Egg Hunt
following lunch

April 23

Newsletter Input Due

April 28

Business Meeting
following Worship Service

Sunday Worship:

9:15 am—Coffee Fellowship
9:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship Service

Wednesdays:

6:00 pm—Adult Bible Study
6:00 pm—Children/Youth
7:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays:

7:00 pm—Celebrate Recovery

Fridays:

7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

Mount Hermon Church-wide

Coffee Fellowship

Each Sunday morning 9:15
"Serving the Church"
schedule
April—Hudson Class
May—Children/Youth

Mount Hermon Baptist Church



sprout



grow



bearfruit

April 2019

Pastor's Pen

Hope for the Hopeless

In the summer of 1999, I hurt my back. Through many prayers and doctor visits, I sought healing. At the same time, I learned to cope with the pain, yet always longing for a time when I could walk without pain, sit without pain, and sleep without pain. As the years passed, I hoped a little less, prayed a little less, and expected any sort of relief a little less. This was my lot in life.

And then my parents gave me the gift of a mattress topper. My sleep was transformed overnight. My back pain during sleep nearly disappeared as well as relieving some pain during the day. Relief came after I essentially had given up looking for it, and I was astonished as I remembered how refreshing a good night's sleep could be.

The older we get, the harder it can be to be astonished by Easter. Yes, we have experienced so many Easters before, and it can become a commonplace holiday among the many others. But there is something else that can dull this greatest day of the Christian calendar. The older we get and the longer we suffer the pains of life, the harder it can be to see how this unexpected event we call Resurrection radically transforms our lives, the world, and reality itself.

We Christians need to be reminded now and then that God loves us so much that he gave up his one and only son for us. Jesus Christ battled death and the Evil One on the cross and in the tomb. He then emerged victorious on Sunday, Resurrection Day, offering his very life to all who trust in him. The promise of Easter is not just the promise of life after death, but a victorious life that begins today, a life that encompasses the fullness of life we see in Christ Jesus.

God not only offers us Jesus but everything we need for life and godliness. "He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all-- how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?" (Romans 8:32 NIV) The message of Easter is a message of hope even in the most hopeless of circumstances. No matter the physical, emotional, or spiritual hurt, habit, or hang-up, there is always hope in Christ both in this life and the next. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, we can trust that this same Spirit will bring life where there is death, light where there is darkness, and hope where we have lost hope.

In Christ, Pastor Rich

Schedule for April 2019

April 7

A Family Affair

Mark 2:1-12

April 14

Right Destination, Wrong Path

Luke 19:28-48

April 24

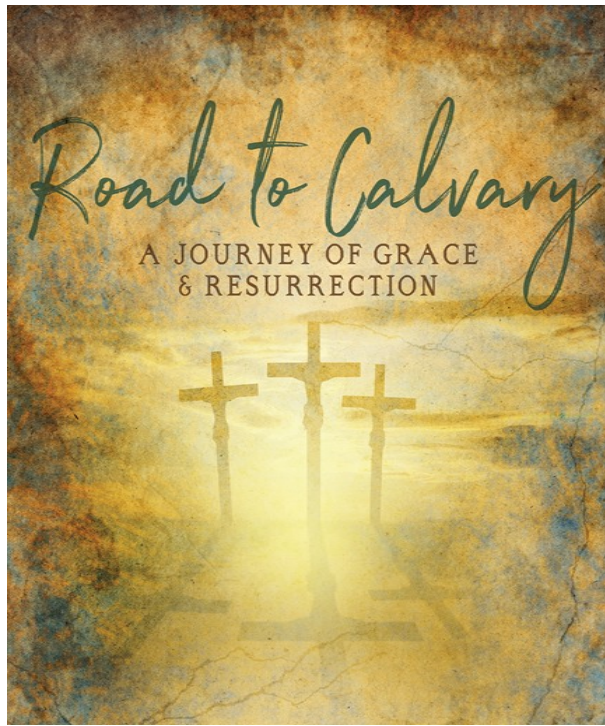
He is Risen!

Matthew 28:1-10

April 28

The Consequences of Resurrection

Romans 5



♪ *Music Notes* ♪

Easter Sunday at Mount Hermon April 21, 2019

Invite others to join us this Easter for a day full of reflection, celebration, and worship!

Our 11 am Worship Service will include a special presentation by the Mount Hermon Choir.

Road to Calvary invites us to think about the sacrifice of our Lord and rejoice together in His resurrection.

Afterwards, lunch will be provided, followed by an egg hunt for the children.

Discipleship

As we look forward to celebrating Easter and the resurrection of Jesus, have you ever wondered why Jesus stayed on earth another 40 days? I have and in the midst of my pondering I've thought of a few things that make sense to me.

Jesus' disciples were lost and grief stricken. Their best friend and loved one was gone. What do they do next? Jesus was there in the midst of their grief to comfort them and let them know He would always be with them. He had not deserted them. In the same way, He is with us in our joys and sorrows. He will never leave us lonely.

He made more than one appearance because Thomas was not present and had doubts. Jesus wants us all to believe and never doubt who He is...the risen Son of God.

The disciples had gone fishing and on the beach, Jesus prepared a meal for them and they broke bread together. Jesus wants us to know that in the midst of our everyday life, He is there with us and our relationship with Him is the most important thing.

Before He left this earth in a miraculous way, (miracles still happen), He gave his disciples instructions for life...to go in the name of the Father....to make disciples in the name of the Father...baptize in the name of the Father...teach in the name of the Father and He will be with us always. That means every minute of every day forever. All we have to do is remember that He's there and live our lives in such a way that everything we do and say is in the name of the Father. A great comfort to me. Please God let me never forget.

Cookie

2019 Camp Dates:

Passport Camp (7th grade-up) July 8-13
Passport Kids (3rd-6th grade) July 20-23
Camp Cheerio October 18-20

**OCIM FOOD OF
THE MONTH**
Canned Meats

**OCC ITEM OF
THE MONTH**
Shampoo

DEACON

ASSIGNMENTS:

Jerry Nowell:	Adair—Bowling
Shaina Riley:	Brady—Couch
Gisela Mayse:	Daniel—Ferettino
Vic Davis:	Fitzgerald—Grasty
David Lewis:	Hanson—Mason
Robbe Riley:	Mayse—Poole
Steve Paschall:	Reid—Winfrey

DEACON

CHAIR: DAVID LEWIS

Jesus said to them again, "peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." John 20:21

Stewardship

2019	February	Year-to-Date
Total Expenditures	\$ 18,415.08	\$ 33,063.00
Total Income	\$ 13,767.25	\$ 28,006.29
Difference	\$ (4,647.83)	\$ (5,056.71)

Property Renovation Phase Fund—February 2019

Beginning Balance \$16,766.07
Ending Balance \$7,850.72

The loan for the sanctuary HVAC units was paid off in the amount of \$8,979.28.

Please continue to pray for the financial health of the church.



This year's Easter Mission Offering will be donated to the Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry.

Church Goal: \$800.00

Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry exists to provide and promote spiritual comfort and growth to the men assigned to Orange Correctional Center through services rendered by a full-time funded chaplain. Further, the ministry strives to better prepare OCC residents with skills, abilities and motivation to successfully reintegrate into their communities and families upon release.

Children/Youth Team



After the 11:00am worship service on Easter Sunday, we invite your family to stay for lunch provided by the outreach team.

Following lunch we will have an Easter egg hunt outside for all the children.

Welcome New Members!
Bernard Paige
Kevin Shinn
Bob & Beth Brewer

Those Needing Our Prayers...

Bonnie Andrews	Bob Frederick	Larry Melton
Sadie Bolden	Joyce Frederick	Barbara Nowell
Billie Cassidy	Jeff Gallimore	Peggy Parker
Bill Clayton	Frank Gibson	Betty Jane Poole
Rachel Clayton	Mary Ellen Godwin	Patricia Rigsbee
Bobby Couch	Bill Griffin	Johnny Riley
Vic Davis	Pam Hartstfield	Justin Riley
Danny Dennis	Kay Johnson	Ridge Riley
Bill Dorrity	Elsie King	Robbe Riley
Lori Edwards	Edith Lee	Wendy Riley
Betty Fera	Emma Lee	Sheila Seawell
Joe Ferettino	Ashlyn McFarland	Jay Wilson

OUR SHUT-INS AND HOSPITALIZED

Brian Center - (Walter) Holmes Adair
The Oaks of Alamance - Bob Link (Room 108)
Carver Living Center - Jean Taylor (Room 304)

If you become aware that someone is ill or in the hospital or has another prayer need, please inform the church office.

Pray For:

The people affected by the flooding in the Midwest
The victims and families of the recent violence around the world
The Children and the Children's Ministry
The Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry
President Donald Trump
North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper
Unity for our Country

AROUND THE WORLD

Syria, and Ukraine,
The Syrian Refugees
Farik Alenov, missionary to Turkey
Tanya Pivovarova, missionary to Italy
Mandy and Brian Davis, missionaries to Thailand
Roger and Vicki Grossmann, missionaries to Guatemala
Andrew and Rachel Sutton, missionaries to Uganda
Ashley Laubach, missionaries to Ireland



SAVE THE DATE • A WALK FOR HUNGER • OCIM

If we live in the spirit, let us also walk in the spirit.
Galatians 5:25

Pastor: Rich Goodier
Secretary: Peggy Mason
Music Leader: Janice Thompson

Church Office

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Please keep church office informed of change of address.
 Also, if you no longer wish to receive the monthly newsletter,
 please contact the office by phone or email.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

04/08 Virginia Pasour	04/23 Elsie King
04/09 Dan Vogel	04/26 Edna Outlaw
04/10 Skyler Paschall	04/28 Joe Ferettino
04/15 Katrina Paschall	

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

04/12 Duane & Tammy Wallace
 04/28 John & Cookie Frederick

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/04 Terri Anne Darby 05/07 Stacy Lee

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

05/08 Jim & Kim Baughman
 05/10 David & Lisa Parrott
 05/17 Dan & Ethel Vogel
 05/18 Gary & Katrina Paschall
 05/25 Jason & Holli Wallace

You are invited to a new class: **WISDOM @ HOME**

Six weeks for those seeking wisdom in family relationships, with a focus on parenting.

Beginning April 7
 Sunday mornings, 9:45-10:45

Does the Bible have anything relevant to teach us about marriage and parenting in the 21st century?

How can we lead our children into good and wise life paths?

How can we discipline our children in a way that teaches them self-control?

What can we do to raise our children so that they have the courage to be different from a mixed-up world?

Come with your own questions!

The class will be taught by Roger and Ann Brooks, Roger and Ann have been married since 1985. They have five children (and one daughter-in-law) ranging in age from 25 down to 14. They don't have all the answers, but work at thinking about marriage and family in light of Scripture.

NURSERY WORKERS



April 7	Robin Winfrey/TBD
April 14	Judy Hanson/Ruby Clements
April 21	TBD
April 28	Gisela Mayse/Peggy Mason

We are looking for kind, caring, and flexible nursery volunteers to help with our littlest ones during the worship service on a rotating bases. If you are interested, see Shaina Riley to sign up.

APRIL DEACON MINISTRY

Assisting the Pastor: David Lewis/Vic Davis
 Assisting the Treasurer: Gisela Mayse/Jerry Nowell



Thank you! for the monetary and food donations to our food pantry in support of the Souper Bowl of Caring - OCIM

Thank You! To Kenneth and Sibyl Clayton for the generous gift to the Property Preservation Fund

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace:
1 Peter 4:10

YATES BAPTIST ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY GATHERING



"Harvesting the power of submitting ourselves to God's plan for revitalizing His Bride."

Tuesday, April 9

Join us at 6:30pm for light refreshments.
 Service begins at 7pm

Lowe's Grove Baptist Church
 4430 S. Alston Avenue, Durham, NC 27713

• Come join us and worship together.
 • Emphasis on Prayer for Church Revitalization
EVERYONE IS INVITED!